

BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES

KELLER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

<u>10B.</u>	Preview	Date: February 25, 2010
SUBJECT:	2011-2012 SCH ADJUSTMENTS	DOL CALENDAR AND GRADING PERIOD
BOARD GOAL:	All students will achieve educational excellence. All systems in the Keller Independent School District will be effective, efficient, and accountable in support of the district's mission. The Keller Independent School District will develop and promote positive community relations through effective communication, the involvement of stakeholders, and the establishment of business and community partnerships.	
FISCAL NOTE:	None	
ANTICIPATED DATE FOR ACTION:	March 11, 2010	

## **Background Information:**

- Education Code 25.0811 A school district may not begin instruction for students for a school year before the fourth Monday in August
- Education Code 25.011 Length of school year at 180 days
- Texas Education Code 25.081 Allows for 3 days of professional development
- Texas Education Code 25.082 Allows for 6 early release days for students
- Nine-week grading periods have been in place to allow for accelerated block scheduling at Keller high schools, a schedule which no longer exists.
- Following two-years of exploration and information gathering, a deployment plan was developed to explore the feasibility of transitioning to six-week grading periods.

## Administrative Considerations:

- Items for consideration include the 2011-2012 district instructional calendar and grading periods.
- Transition to six-week grading periods will take place in the 2010-2011 school year.
- Key considerations for this transition: large majority of area and state districts follow a six-week reporting schedule; aligns reporting periods with the University Interscholastic League (UIL) reporting periods for student eligibility; aligns district with reporting periods for state attendance reporting.

## **Communication Deployment:**

- Board Meeting Minutes
- District Web Site
- General Administrator's Meeting

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